Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation. They have recently refused to air ads in support of Kerry as well as a special honoring fallen soldiers that Sinclair felt shed negative light on the United State's current situation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. These decisions clearly do not.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.